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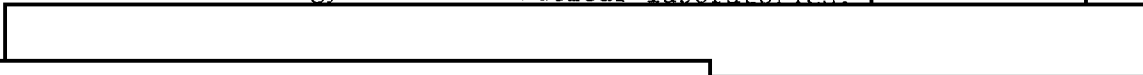

FROM:



Special Assistant for Nuclear Proliferation  
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SUBJECT: Conversation with Commander Demick, Assistant  
Executive Director of PFIAB

I spoke with Commander Demick on February 1st at your request. He was interested in my assessment of the intelligence role of the Department of Energy and their nuclear laboratories. 

  
 I then gave him my perspective on the growing involvement of DoE in intelligence and in particular their increased use of national laboratories for DoE intelligence production in recent years. Commander Demick was interested in how the DoE product found its way into national intelligence and how useful I judged the product to be. I replied that the product was somewhat of a mixed bag; that those studies that made use of the unique technical expertise that resides at the national laboratories were most useful, but that I found some of the work, particularly in the nuclear proliferation area, to be unnecessarily duplicative of work that was better handled in the Washington area. I also gave him my perception of the battles that have gone on in DoE over control of the intelligence process between the Defense Programs people (primarily nuclear intelligence) and the International Affairs people (primarily energy intelligence). Commander Demick said he found the overview most helpful and would like the opportunity to get back to me in the future if he had further questions. I agreed.

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